Annapolis Parking Advisory Committee Notes from the Meeting of January 18, 2011. Submitted by Kathy Dulisse, Secretary

Present: Beth Dolezal, Carl Larkin, Joe Rubino, Jim White, Chance Walgran, Anne Widener, Iain Banks (City Staff/Parking Coordinator).

The minutes of the November meeting were approved.

RPO Pilot Project

The Committee discussed the pros and cons of Resident Only Parking. Some members were for such a program (mostly residents) and some against (mostly business owners). Someone suggested that Resident Only Parking be enforced in all residential areas after 6:00 p.m. or some agreed upon time.

The following motion was made, seconded, and passed:

The APAC supports the RPO pilot program on the condition that the following actions occur simultaneously and that any press releases regarding the RPO program include these actions:

- 1. A minimum of 50 city employees are moved out of Hillman garage
- 2. The evening rate at city garages is changed to a \$4 flat fee.
- 3. St. John's Street is changed to nine hour parking.

It was the general feeling of the committee that nothing would work to improve the City's parking situation without adequate enforcement of current and future parking regulations.

Parking Enforcement

There are currently five parking enforcement employees; a sixth recently retired. The transportation director is meeting with Human Resources and the City Manager's Office about filling the one empty space and adding two or three additional employees.

Coordination with Transportation Board

The Transportation Commission falls under the Transportation Committee of the City Council; the APAC falls under the Public Safety Committee. Both Committees should fall under the Transportation Committee. Chance will call Hillary Raftovich to see if she plans to put APAC under Transportation.

Pay and Display Status – no change

Garage Management RFP Status

The proposal went out. It was suggested that it was a good proposal.

City Employees in Hillman Garage

Richard Newell, the city's new Transportation Director, sent a memo to city department heads asking them to review list of employees parked in Hillman to determine which ones needed to be

there. To discuss this and other parking recommendations, Chance will invited Mr. Newell to the next APAC meeting and Mayor Cohen to the March meeting.

Special Rates for Knighton and Park Place Status

No change. A \$4 flat rate for these garages was made a condition of supporting the RPO pilot project.

Parking Education Program – no change

Meeting Schedule – The next meeting will be February 8.

New Business – The parking garages should display signs on Snow Days so residents know if they can park overnight free of charge.

The meeting was adjourned.

Attached is a copy of the letter sent from APAC to Richard Newell at the Dept. of Transportation as a result of this meeting's resolution and discussion.

Attachment

January 19, 2011

Annapolis Parking Advisory Commission
C/o C. Chance Walgran
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Mr. Richard Newell Department of Transportation City of Annapolis 308 Chinquapin Round Road Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Newell,

The Annapolis Parking Advisory Commission (APAC) has voted to support the ADOT proposed pilot Resident Parking Only (RPO) program for Water Street and South Street if, and only if, the following programs previously recommended by the APOC are implemented simultaneously with the RPO program.

- Relocate a minimum of 50 non-essential city employee vehicles from Hillman Garage to other locations such as Gott and Knighton Garages, Park Place Garage or the USNA Parking Lot.
- Restore the Flat Rate of \$4.00 to evening parking in City Garages commencing at 4:00 PM or 5:00 PM, and provide flexibility in adjusting parking rates in under utilized garages, e.g., Knighton and Park Place.
- Establish 9-hour parking along St. Johns Street to facilitate business employee parking.

We further recommend that a public announcement of these programs should be made in the context of an overall strategy to improve parking for residents, visitors and employees and should include the positive changes to parking that are being solicited in the Parking Garage Management Request for Proposals. These changes include, but are not limited to, installation of Pay and Display technology throughout the City, implementation of License Plate Recognition technology to improve parking enforcement and exploration of a real time parking management information system.

If you have questions or wish clarification of any of the above programs, I would be pleased to share our thoughts with you.

Regards,

C. Chance Walgran

Cc: APAC Members
Transportation Board Members
Mayor Josh Cohen
Mike Malinoff
Alderman Richard Israel
Iain Banks